

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 174
By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Janice and Weldon Wheat on the celebration of their thirtieth wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly finds it appropriate to help special citizens celebrate milestones in their venerable lives; and

WHEREAS, in the thirty years since Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Wheat were joined in holy matrimony this loving couple has shared the joys and sorrows of life's journey, facing the world as one; and

WHEREAS, born on September 28, 1945, Weldon Elmer Wheat is the son of Hugh and Margaret Wheat of DeFuniak Springs, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Janice Ann Brown Wheat, who was born March 1, 1947, in Columbia, Tennessee, is the daughter of Sam and Ann Brown of Hampshire, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Janice and Weldon met at college in December, 1965, while both were getting a degree as laboratory technicians and supervisors; and

WHEREAS, in January, 1966, they had a memorable first date, seeing the James Bond movie classic *Goldfinger*, in a really ugly car; and

WHEREAS, Janice and Weldon were engaged in the Fall of 1966 and, after dating for sixteen months, were married on April 22, 1967, at Cathey's Creek Church of Christ, in Hampshire; and

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WHEREAS, Janice wore a dress which had been lovingly handmade by her mother; and

WHEREAS, as a sign of his undying love, Weldon engraved Janice's wedding band by hand after they were married; and

WHEREAS, after this exemplary couple had been married for two years, they had their first child, Russell Alan Wheat on June 26, 1970. Their second child, Gina Danese Wheat, was born July 27, 1975; and

WHEREAS, the Wheats are exemplary parents, instilling in their children a hard work ethic and a moral sense of responsibility; and

WHEREAS, a devoted husband, Weldon has comforted Janice during her medical problems; and

WHEREAS, the Wheats now live in Camden, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Wheats' are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Wheat on their thirtieth wedding anniversary, and wish them well in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.